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H. CON. RES. 145

Expressing the sense of Congress in support of a national bike month and in appreciation of cyclists and others for promoting bicycle safety and the benefits of cycling.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. BLUMENAUER (for himself, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. PETRI, Mr. SHIMKUS, Mr. JOHNSON of Illinois, and Mr. HOBSON) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of Congress in support of a national bike month and in appreciation of cyclists and others for promoting bicycle safety and the benefits of cycling.

Whereas there are over 57 million adult cyclists in the United States;

Whereas it is estimated that 100 million United States citizens of all ages cycle each year;

Whereas 5 million United States citizens commute by bicycle to work;

Whereas the bicycle industry generates more than \$5 billion dollars a year and is an important part of the economy of the United States;

Whereas recreational cycling is a safe, low-impact, aerobic activity for all ages;

Whereas when an individual cycles as a form of regular exercise, the health of the individual may be increased;

Whereas a national bike month would provide an opportunity to educate United States citizens about the importance of bicycle safety and the health benefits of cycling;

Whereas most communities in the United States officially recognize May 20th as Bike to Work Day; and

Whereas the month of May has officially been celebrated as National Bike Month by the League of American Bicyclists and the majority of the international cycling community since 1956: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
2 *concurring),* That it is the sense of Congress that—

3 (1) United States citizens should observe a na-
4 tional bike month to educate citizens of the United
5 States about the importance of bicycle safety and
6 the health, transportation, recreational, and environ-
7 mental benefits derived from cycling;

8 (2) health and transportation professionals and
9 organizations should promote bicycle safety and the
10 benefits of cycling; and

11 (3) United States citizens should salute the
12 more than 57 million cyclists in the United States

1 and the national and community organizations, indi-
2 viduals, volunteers, and professionals associated with
3 cycling for promoting bicycle safety and the benefits
4 of cycling.

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